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COMMENDATIONS.

The Secretary of the Navy has addressed letters of commendation to the following-named personnel:

DAVIE, Doyle J., A.M.M. 2c, U.S.N. - At the time of receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross, for extraordinary achievement while participating in extended aerial flight from Coco Solo, C.Z., to David, Republic of Panama, on 14 December 1933, when in unfavorable weather conditions and after being authorized by the pilot to abandon the plane he remained at his post and was instrumental in regaining control of the plane and preventing the crash, thereby saving the lives of all occupants.

MURRAY, William J., C.T.C., U.S.N. - For his ingenuity and superior performance of duty in designing and developing an eight-inch projectile handling cradle which was adopted by the Bureau of Ordnance.

BAILEY, John N., M.M.1c, U.S.N. - For materially assisting Lieut. (jg) M. L. Abele, U.S.N., in the study and work connected with the modifications of the fuel measuring pump connections in use on S-type submarines.

SMITH, Virgil, G.M. 3c, U.S.N. - For prompt and courageous action when, in disregard of his own personal safety and in keeping with the best traditions of the Naval Service, he held afloat a partially-dressed diver thrown overboard from a diving launch until rescued by motor launch crew. This action, which undoubtedly saved the diver's life, was the basis of recommending Smith to the Secretary of the Treasury for the award of a Silver Life-Saving Medal.

POUCHER, Clarence E., Sea. 1c, U.S.N. - For prompt and courageous action when in keeping with the best traditions of the naval service he jumped into San Diego Bay and prevented a civilian from committing suicide by holding him afloat until rescued by a harbor excursion boat.

OSBORNE, Lester, Sea. 1c, U.S.N., was forwarded a Silver Life-Saving Medal, awarded him by the Secretary of the Treasury, in recognition of his services in bravely rescuing a man from drowning on 29 July 1932.

LINE SELECTION BOARD.

A Line Selection Board, composed of the following-named officers, will meet on 1 August 1934 to recommend officers of the Line of the Navy in the ranks of Lieutenant and Lieutenant (j.g.) for promotion to the ranks of Lieutenant Commander and Lieutenant:

President:

Rear Admiral John W. Greenslade, U.S.N.

Members:

Captain Rufus F. Zogbaum, Jr., U.S.N. Captain Charles C. Hartigan, Captain Neil E. Nichols, U.S.N. Captain Roscoe F. Dillen, U.S.N. Captain Max M. Frucht, U.S.N. Captain Bruce L. Canaga, U.S.N.

Captain Augustin T. Beauregard, U.S.N. Captain Randall Jacobs, U.S.N.

Recorders:

Commander Louis E. Denfeld, U.S.N. Lieutenant Edwin D. Graves, U.S.N., Assistant Recorder.

The number to be recommended will be furnished later.

TRANSLATIONS OF STANDARD MILITARY AND NAVAL BOOKS.

The Naval War College, Newport, R. I., is seriously handicapped by a great dearth of translations of all foreign technical books. This is particularly true of German naval books of the World War.

The President of the Naval War College will request that Commanding Officers make suitable entry in the official reports of fitness of officers volunteering to make certain limited translations in addition to their present duty.

Any officer wishing to attempt such translation should communicate with the Naval War College, Newport, R. I.

ADMISSION OF CANDIDATES INTO U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY.

The Secretary of the Navy has approved the following additions to Article 46, Regulations Governing Admission of Candidates into the United States Naval Academy as Midshipmen, Edition of May, 1934, to be effective for the class entering in 1935:

"Admission Based on Certificate Only

"The Academic Board will consider and may admit without other mental examination a candidate who presents a properly attested certificate (Form I) that he is or has been a regularly enrolled student in good standing without condition in a university, college, or technical school accredited by the United States Naval Academy, provided that:

- "(a) The entrance requirements of the course pursued require proficiency in subjects amounting to not less than nine units of the required list and six units of the optional list shown in Article 53 of the Regulations Governing Admission to the United States Naval Academy.
- "(b) At the time of entry into the Naval Academy he shall have satisfactorily completed a year's work in the university, college or technical school, with a minimum of twenty-four semester hours credit in English, natural science, social science or languages, at least six of which shall be in college English or history, and six in college mathematics.

"Candidates submitting Form I must in addition submit the Form II described in Article 46 (b) of the Regulations Governing Admission of Candidates into the United States Naval Academy as Midshipmen.

"If a scrutiny of the college certificate shows low or barely passing grades, the substantiating examination in mathematics and English will not be waived."

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR NAVAL ACADEMY PREPARATORY CLASS.

Preliminary examination of candidates for the Naval Academy Preparatory Class will be conducted on August 1, 1934. Heretofore, the date of these examinations has been September 1. Examination questions were mailed on July 5. The distribution to ships and stations is given below:

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Battleships and Aircraft Carriers	15	sets
Cruisers		11
Tenders and Larger Auxiliaries		
Destroyers	3	11
Submarines and Smaller Auxiliaries, such as		
Eagle Boats, Ocean Tugs, and Mine Sweepers	1	set
Commandants of Naval Districts	15	sets
Training Stations	10	11
Naval Hospitals, and other Stations not Convenient	1.	
to District Headquarters	3	!!

The Bureau realizes that the above distribution will not be satisfactory in some cases. However, ships or stations which do not have sufficient copies of questions should first attempt to obtain additional copies from other ships or activities before requesting additional copies from the Bureau. About 150 sets of questions are being held at the stockroom for filling additional orders and will be issued upon request.

NAVY TRAINING COURSES AVAILABLE.

Training courses are available for men preparing for the following ratings: Seaman Branch

Seaman 1c	Chief Gunner's Mate	Tamadaman Qa
		Torpedoman 2c
Coxswain	Quartermaster 3c	Torpedoman lc
Boatswain's Mate 2c	Quartermaster 2c	Chief Torpedoman
Boatswain's Mate 1c	Quartermaster 1c	Fire Controlman
Chief Boatswain's Mate	Chief Quartermaster	Signalman 3c
Gunner's Mate 3c	Torpedoman 3c	Signalman 2c
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Fireman lc	Carpenter's Mate 2c	Painter lc
Machinist's Mate 2c	Carpenter's Mate 1c	Radioman 3c 31190
Machinist's Mate lc	Shipfitter 3c	Radioman 2c
Water Tender 2c	Shipfitter 2c	Radioman lc
Blacksmith 2c	Shipfitter lc	Chief Radiomen
Electrician's Mate 3c	Chief Shipfitter	Molders Course
Electrician's Mate 2c	Painter 3c	Patternmaking

Storekeeper 3c Storekeeper 2c Yeoman 3c
Storekeeper 1c Yeoman 2c
Chief Storekeeper Yeoman 1c
Ship's Cook 3c Chief Yeoman
Chief Commissary Steward Hosp. Ap. 1c and Storekeeper 2c

Stewards Baker Ratings

Other Branches Messman Branch Yeoman 3c Avia. Mach. Mate 3c Avia. Mach. Mate 2c Avia. Mach. Mate lc Avia. Chief Mach. Mate

Officers' Cooks & Officers' Pharmacist's Mate 3c Pharmacist's Mate 2c Chief Pharmacist's Mate and Pharmacist's Mate 1c

The following general courses are available for issue:

Apprentice Seaman Diesel Engines Mechanical Measuring Compasses and Piloting Distilling Plants Instruments
Cyroscopic Compasses 1933 Electric Propulsion Pumps Blowers Boiler Care and Repair Boilers Coal Fired Welding

Main Drive Storage Batteries Gas and Electric Office Procedure Oil Burning Boiler Operation Gasoline Engines

Aviation Seamanship

The following publications are available for issue:

Yearbook of Enlisted Training, 1932. Navy Speller.
Methods of Instruction.
Gregg Shorthand Lessons. Gregg Shorthand Progressive Exercises. News Handling. Benefit Guide. Thrift. Page: Naval Artificers Manual. Carmichael: Practical Ship Production.

Instructions - Painting and Cementing Vessels.

Longfield: Sheet Metal Drafting.

Instructions - Navy Motion Picture Film and Projecting Equipment 1931. Schools and Colleges Granting Concessions to Sons and Daughters of Officer and Enlisted Personnel, U. S. Navy.

Case Instruction 1-10, 11-20, 21-30, 31-40.

The following courses are being prepared and will be available by 1 October 1934:

> Fireman lc and 2c Electrician's Mate lc Gunner's Mate 2c Gunner's Mate 1c

When requesting Navy Training Courses, it is desired that the form on page 122 of the "Yearbook of Enlisted Training 1932" be followed.

LIBRARY BOOKS.

The Bureau is receiving requisitions for books showing the incorrect appropriation to be finally charged, and also letters reporting allotments taken up to cover the issues of books. Attention is invited to Bureau of Navigation Circular Letter No. 7-34, which covers the accounting for library books.

CONCESSIONS GRANTED BY SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

The Morristown School, at Morristown, N. J., offers concessions to the sons of ten naval officers. Morristown School has a complete college preparatory class for boarders at a total yearly tuition of \$800.00 in the Upper School (4 high school years), and \$700.00 in the Lover School (5th through 9th grade). The Morristown School advises that this concession has been made possible by certain of the trustees and alumni, because of former service or association.

The Woods Schools, at Langhorne, Pa., offers scientific training for children requiring special care. This school takes children of preschool age and plans for them through the high school age. Their tuition charge is \$2,000.00 a year, and they have offered to children of naval personnel a concession of 10% discount on the above rate.

Information received from the Devereaux Schools, Berwyn, Pa., states that they will give a professional discount for the tuition of sons and daughters of naval officers. Tuition rates vary, according to the needs of the individual child, and are determined by correspondence with parents.

Copies of Bureau of Navigation pamphlet, "Schools and Colleges Granting Concessions to Sons and Daughters of Officer and Enlisted Personnel, U. S. Navy, 1928", should be corrected to include the above schools.